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In reply refer to: T-DITT-2

To: People Interested in the Swan Valley-Goshen 161-kV Transmission Line Rebuild Project

Bonneville Power Administration is proposing to start construction on the Swan Valley-Goshen 161-kilovolt (kV) Transmission Line Rebuild Project located in Swan Valley, Idaho in May 2004. The purpose of the rebuild is to assure safe and reliable service to customers in your area. This letter briefly describes the project, provides a construction schedule, and explains how you can contact BPA for questions.

Construction Activities

The project involves removing the existing wood pole structures and replacing them with new wood pole structures. Some of the new structures may be five to 15 feet taller than the existing structures, and all structures would have a wider pole spacing, in most cases 20 feet rather than the current 12 feet. Approximately 12 structures would be moved 10 to 35 feet from their present location.

An environmental analysis, Categorical Exclusion (CX), is being prepared for this project, under the National Environmental Policy Act to look at potential impacts. The CX will be completed prior to the start of construction.

The new 161-kV line would be constructed over the course of three years. Phase one, which includes construction in the first ten miles, is scheduled to begin May 1, 2004. Phase two, which would include construction on the unfinished portion of the first ten miles as well as miles 11 through 20, is scheduled to begin in May 2005.

We have already contacted and will continue to work with landowners and businesses along the corridor to minimize impacts during construction.

For More Information

If you have general questions about this project you may call our toll-free line at 1-888-276-7790. You may also access project information and documents on our Web site at <http://www.transmission.bpa.gov/projects>.

Thank you for your continued interest in this project.

Sincerely,

/s/ Kirk Robinson, April 2, 2003

Kirk Robinson
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